

The idea that additional copyright protection NEEDS to be added to Digital Television via mandate is an affront to the American people. If the broadcasters wish to curtail the ability of American consumers to copy HDTV signals they should be made to pay for the right to the spectrum that they utilize to broadcast their signal; this payment should be similar to that made by cellular phone companies. As long as they maintain that they should receive the use of the spectrum without paying significant fees they should use what protection is available to them under the law today.